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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
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Dear Supervisors:

**PROBATION DEPARTMENT: APPROVAL TO EXTEND CONTRACT WITH THE
NEW ROADS SCHOOL TO PROVIDE AN ENHANCED EDUCATION TRANSITION
SERVICES PROGRAM UNDER THE JUVENILE JUSTICE CRIME PREVENTION ACT
(3 VOTES, ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS)**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Authorize the Chief Probation Officer to extend a contract with the New Roads School (New Roads) to continue providing an enhanced education transition services program for Probation wards at Camp Gonzales in an amount not to exceed \$400,000 fully offset by Juvenile Justice Crime Prevention Act (JJCPA) funds, for a 12-month period of April 1, 2008 through March 31, 2009, by delegating authority to the Chief Probation Officer to negotiate, finalize, and execute a contract modification after final approval by County Counsel.
2. Delegate authority to the Chief Probation Officer to approve the addition or replacement of any agency subcontracting with New Roads and to execute modifications with approval as to form by County Counsel.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTIONS

The purpose of the recommended actions is to obtain Board approval to extend a current contract with New Roads to continue providing an enhanced education transition services program for Probation wards at Camp Gonzales under the Comprehensive

Multi-Agency Juvenile Justice Plan, authorized under JJCPA. The recommended contract extension will allow New Roads to continue providing instructional enrichment programs and linkages to community educational/vocational learning services to Probation wards. The contracted services include a variety of programs that are designed to challenge the participant's intellectual curiosity, cultivate their academic capabilities, and develop marketable skills. The target youth are directed towards individualized educational enrichment that stimulates learning, a desire for success through learning methods that accelerate attainment of course credits and lead to college, trade school, military enrollment or eligibility, internships and/or employment.

On September 11, 2007, your Board approved a six-month extension to the contract to provide Probation time to assess the specific needs at Camp Gonzales and to develop a scope of work that best fit the needs of the Department and the JJCPA program. Due to unanticipated delays, Probation has not released a Request for Proposals (RFP), and the Department requires additional time to develop a scope of work that is consistent with the Department's strategic direction as it relates to evidence-based programming and camp redesign. The proposed extension will provide Probation with additional time to conduct a competitive solicitation process for the continuation of services.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The recommended Board actions are consistent with the Countywide Strategic Plan Goal No.1: Service Excellence; and Goal No. 5: Children and Families' Well-Being. Implementation of the recommendations will enable a continuum of service models for youth that encourage them to accept responsibility for their lives, make positive changes, and take steps towards personal development.

FINANCIAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The recommended contract modification will not exceed \$400,000 for the 12-month contract extension term. The costs are 100 percent offset by JJCPA funds, which are included in the fiscal year 2007-08 Department Budget. No net County cost is required to fund the contract extension and the contract includes provisions for non-appropriation of funds and budget reductions.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The current contract includes all of the required terms and conditions, including debarment, jury service, GAIN/GROW, and non-responsibility.

The contract is Non-Proposition A. Consequently, there are no departmental employee relations issues and the contract extension will not result in a reduction of County services.

The Department will not request the contractor to perform services which exceed the Board approved contract amount, scope of work, and/or contract dates.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

On August 20, 2002, your Board approved a contract with Crossroads School for Arts and Science. The contract was awarded on a competitive basis as a result of an RFP process. On June 17, 2003, your Board approved the assignment of the same contract to New Roads School. On September 11, 2007, your Board approved a six-month extension to the existing contract. The new contract term expires on March 31, 2008 and there are no extension options available. As such, Board approval is requested to extend the contract until a competitive solicitation process is completed.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES AND/OR PROJECTS

Approval of the recommended actions will enable the Probation to continue providing the enhanced education services as outlined in the JJCPA program.

Respectfully submitted,



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